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This is a request for filing a new PATENT APPLICATION under Rule 53(b) entitled:

LIQUID CRYSTAL DISPLAY DEVICE

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This application is made by the below identified inventor(s). Attached hereto are the following papers:

☐ Newly executed Declaration, ☐ Copy of Declaration from prior application, ☒ Abstract

117 pages of specification and claims (including 19 numbered claims), and

34 sheets of accompanying drawing/s.

☐ Record the attached assignment and return to the undersigned.

☐ Attached is a Power of Attorney.

☒ Priority is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based on the following foreign applications:

Application Number	Country	Day/Month/Year Filed
2000-333802	JP	31 October 2000
2001-284706	JP	19 September 2001
2002-183427	JP	24 June 2002

, respectively, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application..

☒ Certified copy(ies) of foreign application(s) is/are attached.

☐ Certified copy(ies) filed on _____ in prior application no. _____ filed _____

☐ This application claims the benefit of Provisional Application No. _____, filed _____, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application.

☒ This application is a ☐ continuation/☐ division/☒ continuation-in-part of Application No. 09/983,665, filed 25 October 2001, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application.

☐ Petition filed in prior application to extend its life to insure co-pendency.

☒ The prior application is assigned to Sharp Kabushiki Kaisha.

☐ It is hereby requested that the Examiner consider the art cited in the above parent application(s) by applicant and/or the Examiner for the reasons stated therein. A listing of that art is attached, but pursuant to Rule 98(d) copies are not required.

☐ Applicant claims "small entity" status. ☐ "Small entity" statement attached.

☐ Please enter the attached and/or below preliminary amendment prior to calculation of filing fee:

☐ Also attached: ☐ Information Disclosure Statement; ☐ Non-Publication Request; ☐ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission; ☐ Statement deleting Inventor(s) named in prior application; ☐ Other:

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☐ See attached sheet(s) for additional inventor(s) information!!

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